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Examiner: Kiran B. Patel

For: ATTACHMENT SYSTEM AND METHOD OF FORMING SAME

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

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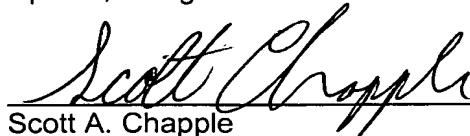
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